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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone steady to weak on whole turkeys. Demand and trading inactive. Offerings available and looking for bids. Domestic parts and bulk meats trading slow with many industry people attending a major poultry convention.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand moderate. Trading fairly good with most interest centering on tom drums and frozen thigh meat going to Mexico and tom v-type wings going to Asia. Offerings generally adequate.



WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JANUARY 20, 2000**

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	59-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	59-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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CENTRAL REGION 4/	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	59-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK OF JAN. 21, 2000	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	60.50 **	62.13	55.00
CENTRAL REGION	59.00 **	61.00	57.91
WESTERN REGION	60.50 **	60.90 **	55.00
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	59.50 **	62.50	57.00 **
CENTRAL REGION	58.00 **	59.00	58.20
WESTERN REGION	59.50 **	59.90 **	55.48

**BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	82-90
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	82-90
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	67-69
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	66-68
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	66-74

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	94-109
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	94-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	94-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	94-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	94-105

<u>FRESH TURKEYS WITH TIMERS OR EQUIVALENT</u>	U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, EASTERN REGION, CENTS PER POUND, WEEK OF 24-JAN-00			
	<u>(8-16#)</u>		<u>(16-24#)</u>	
	<u>HENS</u>	<u>LBS</u>	<u>TOMS</u>	<u>LBS</u>
	<u>PRICE (000)</u>		<u>PRICE (000)</u>	
SALES (PROMOTIONS INCLUDED)	71.00	5		
SALES (PROMOTIONS NOT INCLUDED)	71.00	5		
SALES (PROMOTIONS ONLY)				
SALES (PRICE TO BE DETERMINED)		80		

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NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTSBY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 08-Jan-00
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

<u>—YOUNG TURKEYS—</u>				<u>FRYER</u>	<u>OLD</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TKY</u>
<u>THOUSAND</u>	<u>PW</u>	<u>AVG</u>		<u>RSTR</u>	<u>BAND</u>		<u>AVG</u>
<u>HEAD</u>	<u>% CHG</u>	<u>WT</u>		<u>—THOUSAND</u>	<u>HEAD—</u>	<u>WT</u>	
N EAST	848	-16	22.37	NONE	NONE	848	22.37
S ATL	475	-25	34.43	(A)	(A)	476	34.46
N CENT	1,416	-30	29.16	(A)	(A)	1,423	29.12
S CENT	568	20	22.89	NONE	NONE	568	22.89
WEST	240	-76	26.56	(A)	(A)	252	26.61
U.S.TOTAL	3,547(B)	-26	27.06	0	20	3,567	27.06

TO DATE

2000 3,547(B) 0 20 3,567

TO DATE

1999 4,575(B) 0 12 4,608

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: for the week 2,000 for the year 2,000; last year to date 0,000.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 08-Jan-00

	<u>YOUNG</u>	<u>YOUNG</u>	<u>OLD</u>	
	<u>BREEDERS</u>	<u>BREEDERS</u>	<u>BREEDERS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>THOUSANDS</u>			
HEAD	3,545	2	20	3,567
AVG WT	27.06	28.00	26.55	27.06
LAST WEEK	5,103	34	30	5,167
SAME WEEK YR AGO	4,575	21	12	4,608
AVG WT	27.66(B)	25.24	27.75	27.65
TO-DATE/2000	3,545(B)	2	20	3,567
TO-DATE/1999	4,575(B)	21	12	4,608

(B) Includes 0 fryer-roasters in 2000 and 0,000 in 1999.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGES IN TURKEY SLAUGHTER FORMAT,
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL AMOS HARDY AT
515-284-4471.**CALIFORNIA TURKEY SLTR UNDER FED. INSP** 08-Jan-00
FRYER/ROASTER 0, TO DATE 0; YOUNG 240 HD, 6,375 LBS,
TO DATE 240 HD, 6,375 LBS; OLD 12 HD, TO DATE 12 HD;
TOTAL 252 HD, TO DATE 252 HD.**TURKEY MOVEMENT TREND**
(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)**SLAUGHTER-CERTIFIED RTC TURKEYS**DECEMBER 415,761 *
JANUARY 1-8, 2000 77,211 *

To date 1999 77,211*

To date 1998 101,926 *

* PRELIMINARY

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 20 JANUARY 2000.

Trade sentiment steady to instances weak on 4-8 lb. breasts, thigh meat and tom breast meat with the balance barely steady at best. Demand and trading light with most people attending a major poultry convention. Export trading light with some spot premiums noted on sized drums. Offerings generally available, except for some spot tightness noted on breast trim.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	96.00		96.00	11
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	102.40	200
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	21.00-22.00		21.83	82
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	22.00	48
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	27.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	29.00		29.00	14
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	24.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	41.00	80
NECKS, TOM	14.00-15.50		15.21	122
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		W	145.00	560
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		W	149.70	100
THIGH MEAT		F	62.00	40
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	62.00-67.00		63.57	105
BREAST TRIM MEAT	109.00		109.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	138.00-139.00		138.33	60
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	47.00-51.00		47.89	90
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		W	15.00	20
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	23.00-26.00		24.70	184
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	20.89	352
TAILS	17.50-18.00		17.86	288
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	15.33	156
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	58.00-62.00		60.33	240

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 21 JANUARY 2000.

Undertone steady to barely steady on tom drums, tom 2-joint wings and frozen thigh meat for export. Destrapped tenderloin barely steady. Some sellers are watching for any market developments as the Mexican legislature considers increasing import duties on turkey. Demand light to instances fair, best on 4-8 lb. breasts for domestic shipment and on drums for export. Offerings of breast trim light, the balance of items mixed. Ground breast trim (1 load) 106 cents delivered.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	103.00		103.00	40	105.44	2,091
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	102.40	200		
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		R	21.83	82	21.83	82
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	22.00	48		
DRUMSTICKS, HEN						
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	28.00-31.00		28.60	100	28.88	137
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	24.00	40	24.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	41.00	80		
NECKS, TOM	15.00		15.00	40	15.24	260
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		W	145.00	560	145.00	560
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		W	149.70	100	149.70	100
THIGH MEAT		F	62.00	40		
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	62.00-63.00		62.33	60	63.53	180
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	109.00	80	109.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT						
TENDERLOINS	120.00		120.00	40	120.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS						
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	139.00-140.00		139.36	55	138.83	115
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	46.00		46.00	40	47.31	130
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	14.00-15.00		14.57	140	14.63	160
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	21.00		21.00	640	21.66	1,384
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	21.00-23.00		21.29	364	21.29	364
TAILS		R	17.86	288	17.46	368
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	15.33	156		
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		R	60.33	240	60.71	280

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